Council Proceedings.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, November 24, 1884.

The City Council met in the Council Chamber. Present--Mayor Hyman (in the chair), Ald. Birrell, O'Mara, Beattie, Cowan, Skinner, Becher, Hewitt, Niven, Stringer, Labatt.

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

COMMUNICATIONS READ.

From Harry Gilmour—Asking for the use of the City Hall on the evening of Dec. 9th, for a scientific exhibition of the manly art, and a petition from ratepayers asking that he be allowed the use of the hall.

From Mrs. Starr—For remission of taxes for 1884. No. 1.

From Robert Logan—Objecting to the increase of his taxation from $950 to $1,500, and asking consideration of the matter. No. 1.

From James Marshall *et al*—Asking for a grant to the Forest City brass band (colored). No. 1.

From D. Regan and fifteen other ratepayers, asking for the construction of a tile sewer on Clarence street, between Horton and Grey, and on Grey from Clarence to Richmond. No. 2.

From David Carter, appealing against assessment of dog tax. No. 1.

From R. K. Cowan, asking, on behalf of Messrs. Steinhoff and Seabrook, the privilege of erecting a lamp-post to support and illuminate a clock. No. 2.

From S. L. Moore, asking for the use of the City Hall on December 20th for holding a Santa Claus matinee, under the auspices of the Protestant Orphans' Home. Granted on payment of current expenses.

From the Western Fair Board, an account of $7.50 for replacing lights in Palace and Horticultural Hall. No. 2.

From St. Andrew's Society, for the free use of the City Hall for a concert on the evening of Dec. 2nd. Granted, on payment of current expenses.

From F. H. Heath, asking, on behalf of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A., for use of the City Hall on the 18th and 19th December, for a bazaar. Granted on payment of current expenses.

From Macdonald & Ivey, stating that they had been instructed by Mrs. G. Bawden to collect the sum of $15 for damages done to the wagon throught a defective drain. No. 2.

From D. Levine—Asking that he be only required to pay income tax for seven months. No. 1.

From the clerk of London East—Giving notice of the appointment of a Committee to confer with the City Committee relative to rebuilding Car Works. Fyled.

From the officers of the 7th Fusiliers—Asking for the use of the hall on the 5th of December for a complimentary band concert to Mr. McGregor. Granted on payment of current expenses.

From W. Waugh Lauder—Asking that he be not compelled to pay license for piano recitals given by him. No. 3.

From A. E. Trebilcock--Asking for return of $30 paid by the London base-ball club for license on the entertainment given on their grounds by Dr. Carver. No. 3 with power.

From Henry Diprose and Rosa Garraty—*Re* taxes. No 1.

From Parke & Purdom—Stating that a balance of $108.93, left by one Sarah Robinson, for a long time in the City Hospital, but who had been transferred to the County House of Industry, had been handed over to the city. Fyled.

In regard to the communication from Harry Gilmore asking for the use of the City Hall for a sparring exhibition, Ald. Birrell moved that it be not granted. Ald. Stringer seconded.

In amendment, it was moved by Ald. Niven, that the hall be granted on payment of current expenses. Ald. Becher seconded.

The amendment was carried on the following vote: –

Yeas—Ald. Beattie, O'Meara, Cowan, Skinner, Hewitt, Niven, Becher.

Nays—Ald. Birrell, Labatt, Scarrow, Stringer.

Ald. Stringer called attention to the fact that the power to issue pawnbroking licenses had been referred to the city. On motion the matter of issuing licenses was referred to No. 3 Committee with power,